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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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Attorney Docket No. 1081.1103 (JDH)

***First Named Inventor or Application Identifier:***

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| <b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b><br><i>See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.</i>   |  | <b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Assistant Commissioner for Patents<br>Box Patent Application<br>Washington, DC 20231 |
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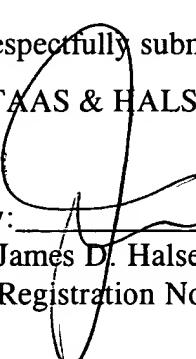
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*Sir:*

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.55, the applicants submit herewith a certified copy of the following foreign application:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-106560  
Filed: April 7, 2000.

It is respectfully requested that the applicants be given the benefit of the foreign filing date as evidenced by the certified papers attached hereto, in accordance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119.

Respectfully submitted,  
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